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1315.204 Contract format.

The designee authorized to grant exemptions from the uniform contract format is set forth in CAM 1301.70.

1315.204-570 Part IV representations and instructions.

(a) Section L, Instructions, conditions, and notices to offerors or respondents. (1) The contracting officer shall insert the provision 1352.215-70, Proposal Preparation, in all solicitations. Contracting officers should tailor the provision to best meet the Government's needs. Information requested from offerors in Volume II-Technical Proposal, must correspond to the evaluation factors. Contracting officers should not request information that will not be evaluated in accord with the stated technical evaluation factors. Should electronic submission be allowed by the CO, specific instructions must be added.

- (2) Insert a provision similar to 1352.215–71, *Instructions for Oral Presentations*, in solicitations when oral presentations will be used. Contracting officers shall tailor the provision to suit their acquisition.
- (3) The contracting officer shall insert the provision 1352.215-72, *Inquiries*, in solicitations as determined by the CO. This provision may be modified to satisfy the needs of specific procurements.
- (b) Section M, Evaluation factors for award. (1) The contracting officer shall insert provision 1352.215–73, Evaluation Quantities-Indefinite Quantity Contract, in solicitations for indefinite quantity and requirements contracts, as appropriate. This provision may be modified to satisfy the needs of specific procurements.
- (2) The contracting officer shall insert the provision similar to 1352.215–74, Best Value Evaluation, for competitive, best value procurements, tailoring the language as appropriate. If clause 1352.215–74, Best Value Evaluation, is used, then clause 1352.215–75 Evaluation Criteria, must be used.
- (3) The contracting officer shall insert a provision in all solicitations similar to 1352.215–75, Evaluation Criteria, to specify evaluation criteria, tailoring the language as appropriate. If the basis for award is lowest price technically acceptable, this must be stated
- (4) The contracting officer shall insert provision 1352.215–76, *Cost or Pricing Data*, in all solicitations when cost or pricing data is required under FAR subpart 15.4.

1315.209 Solicitation provisions and contract clauses.

The designee authorized to waive the examination of records by the Comptroller General is set forth in CAM 1301.70.

Subpart 1315.3—Source Selection

1315.303 Responsibilities.

The contracting officer is designated as the source selection authority for competitive negotiated acquisitions of less than \$10,000,000. The source selection authority for large dollar competitive negotiated acquisitions of